



# Roxbury Heritage State Park Dillaway-Thomas House

Department of Conservation and Recreation

## MAY-JUNE 2023 PROGRAMS

All programs are free and open to the public. An adult must accompany children under 15. Park grounds are open daily, 9:00am-5:30pm. The house is open Wednesday-Sunday, 10:00am-5:00pm. Reasonable accommodations available upon advance request. For more information, call **857-399-1225** or email [roxbury.heritage@mass.gov](mailto:roxbury.heritage@mass.gov). Please follow all current COVID guidelines. Visit [Mass.gov/COVID](https://Mass.gov/COVID).

### **Wednesday-Sunday DILLAWAY-THOMAS HOUSE SELF-GUIDED TOURS** **10:00am—5:00pm**

Inside this colonial-era house, an interactive exhibit tells the story of Roxbury's evolution across three centuries. Ages 8 and above.

### **Wednesdays, ARCHEOLOGY POP-UP LABS**

#### **Thursdays 10:00am—4:00pm**

May 24, 25  
June 21, 22  
Drop by for an engaging hands-on experience in archeology with our DCR archeologists! Participate in simulated dig activities and help us clean, document, and photograph actual artifacts found at DCR sites. All ages welcome, children (ages 7+) to adults. Schools and other groups, please call to schedule a visit.

### **Thursday ED BULLINS: A TRIBUTE READING**

#### **May 18 6:00pm—8:00pm (doors open 5:30pm; refreshments)**

Playwright Ed Bullins, a key figure in the Black Arts Movement of the 1960s and 70s, moved to Roxbury in the 1990s. There he founded Roxbury Crossroads Theater and left a legacy for the Black theater community in Boston. Featuring remembrances and selected readings by Askia M. Touré, Jackie Davis, Akiba Abaka, Dawn Simmons, and Barbara Lewis.

### **Saturdays WALKING TOUR:**

#### **May 13, 27 "Preserving an Inclusive History"**

#### **June 10, 24 10:00am-11:30am**

Join us for a one-mile walking tour of Roxbury's Highland Park neighborhood! We reveal stories of resilience and community-building in the 1970s, layered into buildings from the 1800s. Meet at the Visitor Center. Ages 12 and above. Please call ahead in case of inclement weather. Groups may schedule tour for other times.

## **MORE PROGRAMS CONTINUED ON OTHER SIDE**

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coming events





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### PROGRAMS CONTINUED

Thursday-Sunday  
(ongoing)

#### DILLAWAY-THOMAS HOUSE GUIDED TOURS

2:00pm-3:00pm

This tour highlights events, people and objects from the exhibit. Ages 12 and above. Please call ahead for group tours.

Monday  
June 19

#### CELEBRATE JUNETEENTH!

12:00noon—6:00pm

Please join us for this emancipation observance and celebration that will start at Roxbury Heritage State Park with the raising of the Juneteenth flag. RHSP joins with the Boston Juneteenth Committee and the National Center of Afro-American Artists (NCAAA) in their 13<sup>th</sup> annual Juneteenth program.

**12noon – 12:30pm** (in front of Dillaway-Thomas House)  
Juneteenth Flag-raising Ceremony

**1:00pm** (assemble 12:30-1:00pm RHSP)  
Parade begins at RHSP to the NCAAA museum

**2:15pm – Dusk** (NCAAA museum grounds)  
Music, food, vendors, and activities for all ages

**4:00pm – 5:30pm** (NCAAA museum grounds)  
Juneteenth Emancipation Program/Speakers

Wednesday—  
Sunday  
June 7-11

#### STORYWALK®

***The Bumblebee Queen* by April Pulley Sayre,  
illustrated by Patricia J. Wynne**

9:00am—5:00pm

Did you know that bumblebee queens begin spring below ground and make honeypots to store flower nectar? Learn about their fascinating life cycle through engaging illustrations. The self-guided story walk is suitable for ages 3 and above.

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